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"Moments Of Concern"

Many churches across the nation are experiencing "Moments of Concern" for Our Christian World Mission" or "Minutes for Missions" as a part of the Order of Worship at the Sunday morning service. By lifting up one aspect of the mission in human terms, real concern is stimulated.

Each issue of "Mission Today" includes several brief, usable items. Included in the last issue are: "Courage in Angola", "I Know This Man Jesus", "Pulling Teeth for a Vacation", - all presenting lively, crisp, human interest stories of Our Christian World Mission.

Suggestions from churches which have successfully used the plan are: 1: Rotate responsibility for presentations among as many laymen and women with good speaking voices as possible. 2: Presentations should be informal and extemporaneous. 3: Limit time to two minutes. 4: Use only pointed, capsulized information. 5: Just preceding the morning offering seems the most appropriate time.

Plymouth Church at Lawrence is starting this concern for missions this fall. Your Conference Committee on OCWM highly commends the plan. Why not try it in your Church?

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Millions of hungry men, women, and children reach out to America for food.

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\$100.00 will give a bowl of cereal to each of more than 300,000 people.

Kansas ministers have received promotional material about the Share Our Surplus appeal. Churches are urged to have a special Thanksgiving Offering for Share Our Surplus. Special envelopes are available at the Conference Office.

Topeka First To Host State Conference

Dr. Warren Matthews reports that by unanimous vote of the cabinet of First Congregational Church in Topeka on September 20, the Conference is invited to hold its 107th Annual Meeting April 27, 28 and 29 with them. The invitation is accepted with appreciation.

The Conference met at Topeka First in 1951. Since that time the membership has almost doubled, reaching a total of more than 1,000 on World Communion Sunday.

We look forward to meeting with Dr. Matthews and his people in late April, 1962. Mark your calendars.

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"A World In Crisis"

by

Paul Davis



In the present world crisis, the most important thing we Christians can do is have a belief in God which IS a belief in God. We can remember that in the long run, the key to history is not the will of man, but the will of God. For the truth is that God has often used the darkest moment to bring the dawn.

There are two ways to look at our present world situation. The one way is to conclude that this is the end, and beyond this point in a little while there is going to be nothing. It was Albert Einstein who once commented that if World War III is fought with nuclear weapons, World War IV will be fought with rocks. And it is possible that this is the end. But there is another way to look at our situation, and this is to believe that we are living in the last uncertain moment before a golden age. This is the way I choose. And this is the way we Christians are called to choose in these critical days. Men now have the capacity to make of the world a dump or a garden. The whole thrust of our Christian faith leads us to choose the garden.

And in that choice, two clues will help us. One clue is that men's own self-interest dictates that they can not use the weapons they have fashioned. The irony of this present era is that for centuries men have been seeking the perfect weapon, and now they have found it and they can not use it. The factor of human self-interest is now heavily on the side of peace.

But there is another clue that is even stronger, for it depends not on man but on God. This clue is that God knows some things are seen only in desperation, and God has often used the darkest moment to bring the dawn.

A great many people in their personal lives have learned that the lowest moment is the turn of tide. And this is no less so in international relations. There is much evidence that as a nation - indeed, as a family of nations - we, the people of the world, are being taken through the darkest moment which is not the end but the turning point to dawn.

Look at the evidence. Following World War II, the major nations of the earth wanted both the security of a world organization and also the privilege of national sovereignty; thus in 1945 they formed the United Nations, and for a while the world was held together. But then the nuclear monopoly was broken, and in addition to the United States having nuclear power, Russia acquired it, and then France, and there are signs that before long China will have nuclear weapons. The world has become desperate. The moment is dark. But God knows some things are seen only in desperation, and he has often used the dark-

est moment to bring the dawn. And now men who would not have said it ten years ago, are talking of world federation. Increasing numbers of people are seeing that national sovereignty must someday be subsumed under world sovereignty and that in the family of nations we must evolve a world legislature and a world court and a world police force. And among the peoples of the earth the dream is beginning to take shape: that we are on the verge of a world in which war is outlawed and the peoples of the earth are a human community banded together with one major purpose - to keep the peace.

Norman Cousins in his book "In Place of Folly" is thinking of the new era which is coming only with desperation, when he proposes that we imagine that the next war has just ended and a man is walking thru the rubble with his thoughts. Cousins invites us to use our imagination:

"Let him anticipate the things he would think about. Let him anticipate his disbelief that all this organized insanity should have been allowed to come to pass. Let him anticipate his certainty that all this could have been averted, for he would know then, in retrospect, what should have been done. He would think it fantastic, looking backward, that anyone anywhere should have concerned himself with anything except the drive to create a world federation in time. He would be sickened at the thought that the peoples should have allowed themselves to be persuaded by talk of difficulties and differences in the way of world federation . . . This is the type of wisdom that is needed now . . . We have nothing to lose but our adolescence."

African Report

The Rymphs are following a heavy schedule of meetings in an attempt to

report to the churches the sights they witnessed and the insights they gained from their seven week visit in Africa this summer. To assist other groups desiring to hear this report, we are listing confirmed dates as follows:

Sept. 16: Laymen's Fellowship in Topeka

Sept. 24: Dr. Rymph - Whitewater

Oct. 1: Dr. Rymph - Manhattan

Evening - Little River Church Night

Oct. 3: Southern Association

Oct. 5: Eastern Association

Oct. 9: Western Association

Oct. 11: Mrs. Rymph - Topeka Central

Evening - Eureka Church Night

Oct. 15: Dr. Rymph - Ford

Oct. 22: Dr. Rymph - Nickerson E&R

Evening - Wichita Fairmount

Oct. 24: Topeka Seabrook Church

Oct. 25: Stanley Church Night

Oct. 26: Milford Church Night

Oct. 29: KC Welborn Church Night

Nov. 1: Mrs. Rymph - W. Concord

Evening - Wichita Mayflower

Nov. 2: State PF Rally

Nov. 5: Dr. Rymph - Muscotah

Nov. 8: Mrs. Rymph - T. Seaman

Nov. 15: Mrs. Rymph - Topeka First

Nov. 16: Centralia Church Night

Nov. 19: Sabetha Church Night

Dec. 3: Russell Church Night

Dec. 4: Osborne Church Night

Dec. 5: Stockton Church Night

Dec. 6: Almena Church Night

Dec. 7: Lenora Church Night

Dec. 8: Downs Church Night

Feb. 21: Topeka First Evening Group

Feb. 22: Carbondale Church Night

Feb. 25: K.C. Rosedale

Mar. 21: Lawrence Plymouth Church

April 17: Wakefield Women's Fell.

In requesting dates, please give a first and second choice.



Mrs. Grace Hansen

Home Missionary to Kansas

Last May Mrs. Grace Richards Hansen of the Delmo Project at Lilbourn, Missouri, was scheduled for a block of time in Kansas. Due to an unfortunate fall which left her with a broken arm, her itinerary was cancelled. She is returning November 12-20 to fill that schedule with some additions. Her schedule which follows has a couple of spots which could be used by near-by churches.

Sunday—November 12: Topeka First Church School and Youth Groups. Topeka Seaman—7:30 evening meeting.

Nov. 13—Council Grove

Nov. 14—Mount Hope—noon meeting; McPherson—6:30 supper and meeting.

Nov. 15: Wichita Concord—morning meeting (afternoon could be filled nearby)

Nov. 16: Garden City—noon and early afternoon; Kinsley—6:30 supper and meetnig

Nov. 17: Partridge—afternoon (evening available for near-by church)

Nov. 18 & 19: Newton

A native of Nebraska, Mrs. Hansen graduated at the University of Nebraska and took additional training at Iowa State College. She went to Delmo in 1953 where she and her husband developed the Delmo program. Since her husband's death in 1956 she has carried on until her recent retirement.

Delmo, a group of communities bordering the Mississippi River covers part of seven counties in southeast Missouri. The extensive property includes 10 villages. It was purchased in 1945 by a number of Protestant church agencies including our C.C. Town and Country Department of the Board of Home Missions. The project has enabled low-income occupants, both Negro and white, of 550 government-built houses to own their own homes. Had the churches not come to their aid most of these people would have been homeless as the houses had been ordered sold to the highest bidder.

Home From Japan

Mrs. May Roberts, one of our Kansas missionaries, who teaches at Kobe College, Japan, writes that she is to have a short furlough from October 1961 to April 1962. Most of her time will be spent with her family who are scattered from Pasadena to Chicago, Boston, New York, Newark and New Orleans.

Girl For Turpins

A wee Miss named Elaine Frances was born October 3 to Rev. and Mrs. Francis Turpin of Gaylord. This evens the score 2 boys and 2 girls.



Rev. Chester Marcus

C.S.A. Area Meetings

The Rev. Chester Lee Marcus, Co-Secretary for Racial and Cultural Relations for the Council for Christian Social Action of the United Church of Christ will give leadership in Kansas, November 26-30. Mr. Marcus has served widely in giving leadership in Race and Cultural relations in churches, camps and on college campuses. He is a member of this department in the National Council of Churches.

He earned his A.B. at Alcorn A&M College in Mississippi and his B.D. at the Theological Seminary of Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. He recently spent several months in Ghana studying conditions there.

His Kansas itinerary is being sponsored by the Conference CSA committee under the leadership of Rev. Sadai-chi Asai, Chairman, at the following centers:

Nov. 26: Partridge in charge of Mr. Asai.

Nov. 27: Lenora—in charge of Rev. Carl Kroenlein.

Nov. 28: Wichita Concord in charge of Rev. George Dreher and Mr. Gordon Jones.

Nov. 29: Lawrence Plymouth in charge of Mrs. Paul Davis and Mrs. Ralph Krone.

Nov. 30: KC Rosedale in charge of Mr. Paul Anderson.

In addition to a presentation by Mr. Marcus, each meeting will schedule time for discussion and a sharing of ideas. Time for each meeting, along with other details, will be sent to churches by mail. Please attend the session nearest you.

Joint Committee Meets

The joint committee on the United Church of Christ met at Zion E&R Church in Kansas City, Kansas on September 26. Co-Chairmen of the meeting were the Dr. Ned Burr McKenney and the Rev. Donald Burkhalter who served for the Rev. A. H. Wegener.

We regret to report that the Rev. Mr. Wegener, President of the Kansas City Synod of the E&R Church is very ill following recent surgery.

The main purpose of the September meeting was to explore a plan of organization to unify the work of the CC and E&R bodies in Kansas as soon as possible. The National Committee on realignment, highly recommends following of state boundaries wherever possible and it is expected that the Kansas Conference of the United Church of Christ will be made up of three associations with boundaries very similar to those now dividing the three CC associations.

A constitution committee to be convened by Dr. McKenney on Oct. 23 at Emporia is made up of Mr. Dan Hopkins and the Rev. Paul Davis for the CC's and the Rev. H. W. Rath and Mrs. Homer Gerstenberger for the E&R's with Dr. Rymph and the Rev. Melvin Lichte as ex-officio members.

Kansas representatives for the various areas of work are being appointed by the E&R folks to meet with CC committees in planning a unified program as soon as possible. "The more we get together, the happier we'll be."

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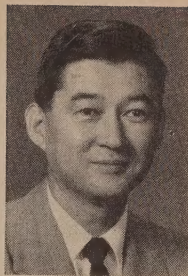
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The Central Congregational Church of Topeka, Kansas was host to 150 men from 31 Kansas Congregational churches and including 8 E&R men, who attended the Eighth Annual Laymen's Churchmanship Workshop held on September 16 and 17. The Workshop proved to be an educational and challenging experience of information, insight and inspiration, as well as a time for individual commitment and rededication to the work of The Church.

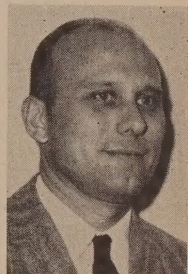
Dr. and Mrs. L. Merle Rymph set the tone for the Workshop program with an interesting presentation of major highlights of their African Safari using slides and story to interpret some of the beauty and burdens of Africa and also picture the exceptional work being done by our missions. As laymen, we were overwhelmed by the very great challenge of the unmet needs and the work that is so urgently awaiting accomplishment in Africa.

Dr. J. Kenneth Kohler, Executive Secretary of the E&R Churchmen's Brotherhood, counterpart to the Laymen's Fellowship in C.C. Churches, spoke on the developments of the laymen's program in the United Church of Christ and pointed out that the Church would have an impact on our community, our nation, and the world, only as men and women dedicated to Christ, witness and work to effect God's will in this world. He pleaded for honest expressions of convictions with the love of God motivating our expressions. He stated that we who call ourselves Christians must face facts realistically and cope with the problems that exist between men, fearlessly.

Mr. Ignatius Tapera, a pre-medical student from Mt. Silinda, who is attending the Rocky Mountain College in Billings, Montana spoke on "Missions, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow." He provided excellent historical background and the meaning of the missionary efforts in the present crisis. The birth and development of new nations in Africa, Mr. Tapera, pointed out means greater need and opportunity for Christian teaching and sharing. Africa needs help - technical, educational and spiritual, but such help must be given in a spirit of brotherly love.



Tsueneo Tajima
President



Carl Fisher
Vice President



Raymond Bell
Secretary-Treasurer

Mr. Carl W. Glatt, Executive Director of the Kansas Commission on Civil Rights, provided leadership in the area of Social Action when Rev. Lawrence M. Upton was unable to come because of illness. Mr. Glatt gave background and reason for the existence of the new law.

Although many laymen assumed that the previous laws for fair employment solved the ugly problem of prejudice in this area, Mr. Glatt pointed out that this was only a beginning - the real work of human relations lay with Christian leaders who feel that brotherhood of Man is basic to the Christian witness. Seeing how God works thru men is thrilling. Learning how men fail God in many ways is sobering.

In the closing meditation, Dr. Kohler pointed out that the men such as Moses and Jeremiah, were very human people who felt inadequate and anxious, frightened and fearful at tasks God assigned to them. Yet, with His support and thru obedience to His will, they laid the foundations for the Church today. Dr. Kohler reminded us that we do not have to go to Africa or any of the far corners of the world. Witnessing for Christ in our daily work and relationships is the task to which God calls each one of us.

We learned from Al Miville and Alice Huggins that OCWM and CHEF continue to be primary concerns for all churchmen and the financial goals must be met to insure an effective ministry in Kansas, in the nation and in the world.

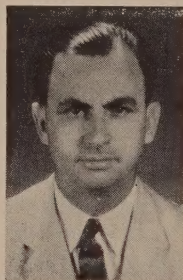
Mr. Nathan Barr, Administrator of the new Congregational Home being built in Topeka, reported the progress is being made in bringing this project to a reality.

Rev. Ernest Huntzinger led an in-

spiring period of meditation on Saturday evening. Mr. Charles Gunn, Kansas Conference Moderator, was presented a certificate from the National Fellowship commending him for the outstanding service he has given as a layman.

During the business session, Tsuneo Tajima was elected president, Carl Fisher, Vice-President, and Raymond Bell, Secretary-Treasurer, for a two-year period beginning at the close of State Conference in April.

Tsuneo Tajima—Reporting



Dick Fagan

Our Guests

It was a pleasure to have Mr. and Mrs. Dick Fagan, Agricultural missionaries from the Philippines at our Fall Association Meetings. In addition they spoke at K.C. Welborn, K.C. Ruby, Great Bend and Garden City. We hope they spend more time in Kansas before they return to Midsayap.

Turpin Resigns

The Rev. Francis Turpin of Gaylord resigned October 1 to accept a call to the Congregational Church at Cambridge, Nebraska. The Turpins have been at Gaylord 2½ years and have carried out a progressive program against great handicaps. Mr. Turpin is presently Chairman of the Conference Town and Country Committee and will be greatly missed in western association and the larger fellowship. The date for their leadership to begin at Cambridge has not been confirmed.

Kansas Women's Fellowship

Mrs. Charles Gunn, President



Pictured above are some members of the Kansas Women's Fellowship Board attending the meeting at Great Bend, September 19-21. Left to right: Mrs. Charles Gunn, Miss Pearl Carpenter, Lawrence; Mrs. Clay Lumpkins, Ford; Mrs. J. D. Coffin, Council Grove; Mrs. Charles Aeschliman, Central; Mrs. Malcolm White, Kinsley.

Sept. 26, 1961

A Letter From Liz:

It was about four o'clock when Charles and I left home this morning. As I write, we are on our way to Kansas City to attend a meeting of the United Church of Christ. It is to be held at Zion Church where the Reverend Mr. H. W. Rath is the pastor.

Driving into the sunrise I keep remembering how hard 28 members of your State Board worked last week. They spent three days as guests of First Church in Great Bend.

This was a time of learning, inspiration and fellowship. For some of the women it was their first Board meeting.

This is an unusual meeting, and it is a business meeting. But many more important things were discussed here than "motions and minutes and members."

Things happened in this group. Friendships were formed and firmed. Convictions came and grew. Dedication followed desire. Some lives were changed.

The Reverend Mr. Edward H. Brantz, minister of the Great Bend Church, set the tone for our meeting by reminding us what the church is and how we have a part in it. The work of the church is the work of the Women's Fellowship and that's all the work we have.

We are supposed to help to make the good news of God real in the lives of the women in our Kansas churches. We tried to approach our work with this in mind. We hope we will be better able to help in our churches this year in interpreting the work and importance of Our Christian World Mission, because this is what our Church really is.

Mr. Brantz served communion in the little chapel at the close of our meeting, reminding us that we would never be together again in just that same way, but that we would never really be apart.

It means much to me, personally, to count these women as my friends and

to remember with great gratitude the loving concern of many members of Great Bend's First Church for the success of this Board meeting.

The church opens doors, and for the adventurous ones who dare to go through them, great joy awaits.

Affectionately,

Liz

Woman's Gift

Dear Kansas Women:

It is a rare privilege to be visiting with you about one of my favorite subjects, our "Woman's Gift." November is right around the corner, but I do hope you not only think of our "Woman's Gift" in November and March, but the year around by the use of your Woman's Gift Box.

I know how easy it is to slip your obligation in your gift envelope when November and March roll around, but think of the inward joy you are missing by not using your gift box. Use your box, then write your check for the amount if you would rather. By your gifts of love, you will soon pass your goal of 10 cents a week or \$5.20 a year.

Love is the answer to the work of our city, our state, our nation, and the world. Through our stewardship of love comes stewardship of treasure, because love seeks outlets, not limits.

May God richly bless you for your "Woman's Gift" giving.

Sincerely,

Dona Mehlhaff (Mrs. Ed)
Western Stewardship Chairman

Christian Stewardship

The study for a better understanding of Christian Stewardship is too often neglected and avoided by the average church member. It doesn't seem necessary to become better informed on "How much I should give."

As one guilty of this attitude in the past, I accepted the opportunity to learn the right approach to stewardship by serving as Stewardship Chairman. It has been a rewarding and enriching experience. I am deeply convinced - that to accept and believe that - Christian Living is Christian Giving of the total person, and to practice this daily, is to feel a joy in giving of ourselves and our possessions.

God has a way of multiplying all our gifts; supplying us with more energy and more wisdom in their use. The more you give - the greater the blessings.

Would you like to overcome the feeling of resentment - or grudging obligation - and perhaps coercion to the Work of The Church? Then let God's will flow thru you - your response will be spontaneous, generous and joyful. You will be fulfilling the admonition of the scripture, "In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God concerning you."

When we hold back in order to enrich our lives, we usually destroy life. Give of self and substance daily to ease the burden of those in need and to make your life a journey of happiness. Placing a token of your gratitude for daily blessings in the Woman's Gift Box develops a growth of gratitude. You'll be amazed how your blessings increase when you start counting them one by one!

These are only some of the good things I have learned thru the prayerful study of Stewardship.

I am persuaded that our Heavenly Father is pleased when His children are joyful stewards who give freely and with a whole heart.

Mrs. Fritz Nicklaus

Southern Stewardship Chairman

To National Meeting

Mrs. Liz Gunn attended the Executive Meeting of the National Fellowship of C.C. women in Chicago September 10-12, when they reviewed the accomplishments of the past year and considered the role of the laity in the U.C.C.

The work of men and women in the U.C.C. is to be coordinated under the Council for Lay Life and Work.

"The National Women's Fellowship is not coming to an end", said Miss Lillian Gregory, Executive Secretary, "but as a tributary flows into a river, its strength and body of facts and history will move on into the larger river of cooperative work."

Books

Southern Union College is the meeting place for the Congregational ministers of Alabama fall and spring for a week's convocation in which they get new ideas and inspiration. The college librarian plans a free book shelf from which the men may choose books, in view of the fact that most of them live where there is no library.

Can you spare a book for one of these ministers? If so, mail it to The Librarian, Southern Union College, Wadley, Alabama.

Town And Country Meetings

October 16-19 two important meetings are being held at Palestine, Texas - a regional T. and C. meeting of the U.C.C. and the National T. and C. Convocation. Attending one or both from Kansas are: L. G. Poppe, W. Lipe, H. Wisegarver, Lyle Anderson, Duane Ogden, S. Asai, C. G. Nelson, and C. Kroenlein. Also 8 ministers from E and R churches.

In Memory

As evidence of the love and respect of those who knew them, the following names have been added to the Women's Fellowship Memorial Fund Roll of Honor.

Mrs. Jennie T. Walker

By Topeka First Fellowship

Mrs. Rowles Anderson

By Partridge Fellowship

Mrs. L. Harbaugh

By Topeka Central Fellowship

Mrs. Cora A. Long

By Stockton Fellowship

Save Stockings!

We have word that nylon stockings with runs in them are wanted by a small factory in Korea where a few women make a living by making articles from the nylons. Wash the stockings and fold them into a parcel marked "Nylons For Korea" and put them into the next Church World Service collection. Trucks are due late in October, picking up clothing and bedding for Church World Service.

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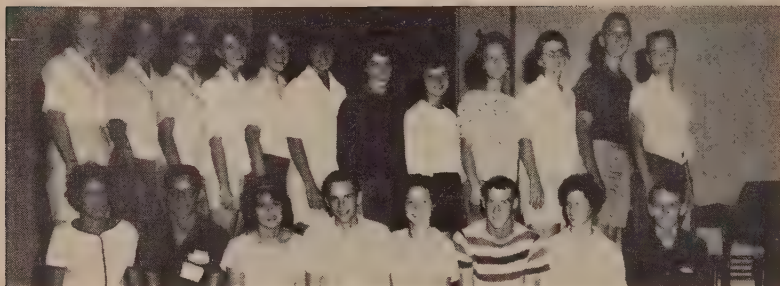
Centralia \$10.00 Dinner

For a good many years our Centralia Church has had this Appreciation Dinner. Held on October 4 this year it measured up to its usual high standard with Dr. Allan Wehrli of St. Louis as Guest Speaker. According to the Rev. Charles Aeschliman, Minister, Mrs. Wehrli accompanied her husband.

Kansas Pilgrim Fellowship

Buddy See, President

Dorothy Reeves, Secretary



Kansas P.F. Officers At Doane

Standing left to right: Jean Kelley, Janet Kuehn, Carolyn Hoke, Marianne Hart, Sue Thompson, Kris Billinger, Marilyn Hill, Janice Miles, Judi Palmer, Janet Miller, Ray Felton and Roy Messmore. Seated left to right, Martha Kiene, Carl Georgeson, Mary Scott, Buddy See, Dorothy Reeves, Joe Heide, Jean Heide and Charles Shepherd.

State Wide Senior Rally

"Renewal In Unity" will be the theme of this year's rally to be held at Kansas City Welborn on November 2 and 3. The Central committee met in Topeka Sept. 22 to make plans. The Rev. Ned Burr McKenney will bring the theme address on Thursday afternoon.

Study groups will be based on the Statement of Faith of the United Church of Christ. A highlight of the dinner program will be music furnished by the Madrigal Society of Washington High School.

Registration will begin at 1 p.m., on Thursday, Nov. 2 and the rally will close at 1 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 3, following a closing meditation by the Rev. Ed Mehlhaff, State Sponsor.

Local arrangements are being made by Ralph Juhnke - Welborn P.F. president, Dorothy Reeves, State Secretary and the Rev. Robert Gurtler -

Host Pastor. The total cost to be paid in advance is \$3.25. Send only committed young people.

What Are You Doing About A Clothing Drive?

During the week of October 23rd there will be a Church World Service pick-up at Lawrence Plymouth Church; Topeka Church Center, 835 Western; Manhattan, 930 Osage; Salina, First Presbyterian Church; Sabetha, Church of the Brethren.

The week of November 13, Wichita Indian Service Center, 1800 S. Washington.

The week of November 27 - Kansas City - Church of the Brethren.

Anthony Jr. Hi Did Something!

They boxed and tied 850 pounds of good used clothing and Lawrence Parsons helped by hauling it to Wichita for the CWS pick-up there.

YOUTH WEEK

1962

January 28-February 3 are the dates. This Nineteenth Annual Observance has as its 1962 theme: "Called to Responsible Freedom: The Meaning of Sex in the Christian Life."

The purposes are: 1: to help young people realize their responsibility as churchmen and to help the church see the vital importance of its ministry to youth. 2: to strengthen the unity of Christian youth throughout the nation. 3: to help challenge young people, and through them their elders, to a Christian approach to one of the most perplexing problems of our culture.

Sponsors, ministers and officers should begin their preparations for observance of Youth Week NOW. Send 75¢ for packet to U.C.Y.M., 475 Riverside Drive, New York 27, N.Y.

Spring Rallies

Eastern to be held at Topeka Central - January 19 and 20.

Southern to be held at McPherson, February 3 and 4.

Western to be held at Great Bend, Jan. 26 and 27.

Wit And Witness

This is the name of a new monthly Newsletter from Council Grove put out by the Rev. Jack Sandford. At a recent PF meeting held at the parsonage, the young people were served a Hindu Meal and followed Hindu customs, even to removing sandals and being seated on the floor.

Parents' Council

At Sabetha the parents of PF'ers have formed a council to undergird the youth work of the church. Parents will assist sponsors in every way possible and relieve them at least one Sunday each month.

Youth Lounge

PF'ers at Fairmount have furnished a special room which is all theirs. Considerable painting and carpentry work was done by the young people under the direction of Dick Epps.



Janet Kuehn
Eastern—Faith



Marianne Hart
Eastern
Fellowship



Janet Miller
Western—Faith

Camp Santosage Report

Despite the very wet and cold weather, the CEA program started its work with the Area Workshop held at Camp Santosage, a YMCA camp near Independence, Missouri, from Sept. 11 thru 16. This meeting was attended by about 60 CEA's from Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri and was one of 18 such meetings being held throughout the continental United States and Hawaii. Attending from Kansas were: Mrs. Etta Lou Georgeson of Lenora, Chairman of the Conference Christian Education Committee, Mrs. Charlotte Heide of Wichita Plymouth, Mrs. Phyllis White of Kinsley, Mrs. Ruth Young of Kansas City First Pilgrim, Mrs. Wm. Bessmer of Great Bend, Rev. Carl Kroenlein of Lenora, Rev. Max Thomas of Lawrence and Rev. Jay Dahm of Topeka Central.

One of the first questions dealt with at this week-long meeting was the very pertinent one; What is the CEA program and who are the CEA's or Christian Education Associates? This program grew out of the realization, brought about as the new curriculum materials were being prepared, that we need to rethink much of our educational strategy. To some extent, we are now prepared to fight battles that are no longer being fought; we are prepared to face problems that no longer exist. We need a new type of teacher and a new type of teaching; a teacher who can, according to Dr. Howard Pflug of Eden Seminary, "get on the listening end, instead of talking all the time. The teacher needs to, in this kind of teaching, be on the listening end, the pulse-feeling end; and then have something to say in relationship to what he or she has listened for."

But, do we go about retraining a whole generation of teachers? How do

we transform them from "talking teachers" to "listening teachers?" One of the Working Papers by the editors of the new Church School curriculum, ends with this rather self-evident statement: "The new materials will require increased guidance from local church workers in the development of wholesome Christian experiences in the Christian Fellowship." The CEA Program was established to train people who can bring this guidance to the local churches.

As existing programs may vary greatly from area to area and conference to conference, it is up to each local group to work out the particular procedure which will have the most meaning and impact for them.

This is the problem which the Kansas CEA group is trying to define. The group must expand its ranks by training other leaders and the group must study the particular problems and opportunities of Christian Education as we carry it out in Kansas.

As this study is completed, you will be hearing more of the CEA's and the ways in which they can work with your local church and leaders to better carry out what Roger Shinn has called, "The Educational Mission of Our Church."

The Rev. Jay Dahm reporting

Stories For Juniors

If you have juniors in your family and would like for them to read a new story written by Alice Huggins, let them borrow copies of Trails for Juniors from their Methodist friends. Beginning October 1 and continuing through November 5, "Shan Min's One Wish" will run as a six-part serial.

Iselys Available

The Merrill Iselys, 1638 N. Arkansas, Wichita are available to speak in Kansas churches.



Wm. F. McMurry

Post At Doane

Announcement of the appointment of Mr. Wm. F. McMurray as Director of Admissions at Doane College was made recently by President Donald M. Typer.

Mr. McMurray comes to Doane from a similar position at Lindenwood College in Missouri where he was instrumental in bringing about a large increase in enrollment. He has served as an athletic coach and is talented in music and forensics.

Davis To New York

October 17-19 the Rev. Paul Davis of Lawrence will attend the World Order and United Nations Seminar sponsored by C.S.A. of the United Church of Christ. Lectures and discussions will be centered on Cuba, Latin America and problems of the U.N. October 22nd has been designated as World Order Sunday.

Daughter For Edigers

The Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Ediger of Kansas City First Pilgrim, announce the arrival of Marcelynn Jo on September 24 - a playmate for Marwood, age three.

To Turkey

Dr. Richard Hadley, member of Topeka Central, left Sept. 4, under the Air Force for an assignment at the NATO Hospital at Izmir, Turkey. His wife hopes to join him soon. Dr. Hadley, who is a pediatrician, writes that he is busy and enjoying his work.

Johnson's Visit Connecticut

The Rev. and Mrs. Julian Johnson flew to Westport, Connecticut for the dedication of a new building at Green Farms Congregational Church. The Johnsons served this 250 year old church a number of years ago while Mr. Johnson was attending Union Theological Seminary.

While in the east they visited United Nations, the East Harlem project and the National Council of Churches headquarters.

Wichita Mayflower

The interior of the church has been redecorated; new tile has been laid on the basement floor by men of the church. The tile was made possible by a special gift from the Massachusetts Congregational women. Mayflower men held their first meeting in early October.

Ellis Planning Conference

The Rev. Wm. Wayne Allen, new minister at Ellis reports a very successful planning retreat on Sunday, Sept. 17 following a picnic dinner in the park.

Topeka Congregational Home

Mr. Nathan Barr, Executive Director of the proposed Congregational Home in Topeka reports that plans are shaping up. A recent printed folder titled, "When People Ask" answers many questions under these headings: I: The Over-All Plan, II: Costs, III: Services and Privileges, IV: An Infirmary Provided, V: OverAll Progress, VI: An Ambitious Plan, VII: Residency, Gifts, Endowments.

Anyone wishing information, please write Mr. Barr at 123 W. 6th, Topeka.

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New Filmstrips

Seek Ye First: FSR

Presentation in story form of basic obligations of church membership; worship at church and in the home; stewardship of time, talents and possessions; and sharing one's Christian faith with others.

Trip To Brasilia: FSSC

As we come to know the customs, beliefs and activities of others in various parts of the world, can we truly understand one another and share the task of communicating the good news of the Christian Gospel to those who have not yet heard it.

For S.O.S. and Thanksgiving

Close-Up - FSR

Eleventh Hour - FSR

Exiles In The Holy Land - FSRC

Matter of Fact - FSRC

On The Move - FSRC

To Sing Again - FSRC

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The Waiting Ones - FSR

Wait-A-Minute Man - FSRC

The Year That Flowered - FSR

For Youth Groups

Dating Kit (15-17 Yrs.)

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Digging Deep - FSSC

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Filmstrip-Of-The-Month - 9 FSS

Comparative Religions - 6 FSS

Youth Audio Visual Kit - 7 FSR

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Where Are You Going - FSR

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All Aboard For Adventure -

5 Kits of Records

The New Girl: Movie

Story of a Negro girl, the first to be hired in an office of all white girls. Available from The Commission on Civil Rights, State Office Building, Topeka, Kansas for payment of postage.

Will Of Augusta Nash: Movie

A new stewardship film on Tithing. One condition attached to a \$100,000 inheritance is that the recipient must tithe to get the money. Available from United Church of Christ, 1720 Chouteau Ave., St. Louis 3, Mo. \$8.00 rental.

By Faith We Understand: FSSC

Pilgrim Series fall filmstrip is a visualization for children, youth and adults of some of the principal stories of faith in the Old Testament. A saga of the Hebrew's journey to the promised land.